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**Entitled: Method and Apparatus for Solid Fuel Pulverizing**  
**Operation and Maintenance Management**

Attached, please find a Preliminary Amendment "A" for the subject application (7 pages) and an associate power of attorney (1 page).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Applicant: George Zhang et al.

Assignee: ABB Inc.

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Group Art Unit: 3725

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SOLID FUEL PULVERIZING  
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OPTIMIZATION

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Confirmation Number: 6861

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A" UNDER RULE 111

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment "A" before the substantive examination of the subject application.

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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